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BELLEVUE POLICE CHIEF GRADUATES CJED, ADDRESSES CLASS

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RICHMOND, Ky. – Bellevue Police Chief William David Cole, who was spokesman for his Criminal Justice Executive Development class, told his peers during a graduation speech today that the ranks they hold in their departments bring responsibility, not privilege.

Cole, who was selected by his classmates as class spokesman, was among the 18 law enforcement executives who graduated from the CJED program this morning.

“We are responsible for ensuring that our profession progresses in the appropriate direction,” he said. “We are responsible for ensuring that our profession meets the needs of the public we serve, and, as leaders of our departments, we are responsible to the men and women who work with us every day.”

The new graduates comprise the Department of Criminal Justice Training’s fifth CJED class. A total of 87 ranking peace officers have graduated from the program since its inception in 1998.

CJED is a five-week program, with students attending courses for one week each month for five months. To take part in CJED, attendees must be supervisors who rank sergeant or above (or chief deputy and above for sheriff’s offices), apply for entrance into the program and be selected by a committee of CJED graduates from across the state.

The program focuses on leadership, identifying, analyzing and solving problems, as well as personnel administration, operations and fiscal management, and executive and environmental relationships.

Also during the graduation ceremony, guest speaker Chief John Kazlauskas of Owensboro, who is a CJED graduate, told the class that the success of law enforcement organizations is dependent upon effective, progressive leadership.

“As law enforcement administrators, we must develop visions for the future,” he said. “We cannot be successful without continuing education, training and developing officers for leadership positions.”

“For law enforcement organizations to be successful we must instill a true standard of excellence throughout our organizations,” Kazlauskas said. “In most cases, this does not require new programs or approaches to police work, but it does require a scrupulous adherence to existing policies and standards, and the ability to detect any pattern of performance that falls short of those expectations, and then the courage to deal with those who are responsible for those failures.

“Anything less will allow for a decline in professional police services to the communities we are sworn to serve and protect.”

Kazlauskas identified core values that he said law enforcement leaders should follow to be an example for their officers: Service to community, reverence for the law, commitment to leadership, integrity, respect for all people, and quality through continuous improvement.

He congratulated the CJED graduates and encouraged them to become standard-bearers for law enforcement training and leadership across the state.

CJED V graduates and their agencies are:

Asst. Chief Joseph R. Alexander Alexandria Police Department

Sgt. Michael G. Bianchi Erlanger Police Department

Chief Dwayne Brumley Berea Police Department

Chief William David Cole Bellevue Police Department

Sgt. Mike G. Daly Fort Thomas Police
Department

Chief Larry J. Godby Somerset Police Department

Sgt. Steven E. Howard Morehead Police Department

Sgt. Dan J. Johns Highland Heights Police
Department

Lt. Michael J. Kasitz Eastern Kentucky University
Police Department

Capt. Raymond C. Kinney Frankfort Police Department

Chief Dep. Sheriff William D. Maddox Marshall County Sheriff's
Office

Sgt. Ed McManus

Paducah Police Department

Lt. Douglas R. Nelson

Somerset Police Department

Sgt. Richard T. Prather

Nicholasville Police
Department

Sgt. Jerry E. Roy

Newport Police Department

Lt. Brian L. Slone

Nicholasville Police
Department

Sgt. Mike Thatcher

Independence Police
Department

Sgt. Shawn L. Ward

Cincinnati/Northern
Kentucky International
Airport Police Department

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